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- ☒ 2. Relevance of non-English language reference No. 2 is discussed in the present specification.
- ☒ 3. English-language Abstracts of non-English language reference Nos. 1-4 are attached hereto.
- ☒ 4. A computer-generated English translation of the following Japanese Patent Publication has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([<http://www.jpo.go.jp>]), and is attached, but has not been reviewed for accuracy. See References 1-4.

Respectfully submitted,

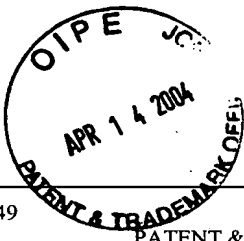
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